

REMARKS

Claims 1-31 and 34-38 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claim 32 is canceled. No new matter is added.

Applicants filed a Notice of Appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on June 23, 2008. A Notice of Panel Decision From Pre-Appeal Brief Review was mailed August 7, 2008. By this Amendment, claim 32 is canceled, thereby reducing the number of issues for appeal and placing the application in better form for appeal. Accordingly, entry of the amendments is respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,



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